WYOMING STATE PROTOCOL APPENDIX L STANDARD APES

Pursuant to Section V.B.i. of the State Protocol, BLM and SHPO have consulted on the following standard Areas of Potential Effect (APEs) for common types of undertakings. The standard APEs listed below are **minimum** APE sizes. These minimums do not apply if project disturbance exceeds these sizes. In certain circumstances, even though an action may have a standard APE listed below, the Field Manager, at the recommendation of the cultural resource specialist, may have justification to require a larger APE. If an APE larger than the minimums below is being recommended, SHPO consultation is not required. For any other APEs, the BLM cultural resource specialist will consult with SHPO pursuant to 36 CFR 800.4(a)(1) to determine the undertaking's APE. The inventory area is the entire direct APE, unless there is previous adequate inventory, previously disturbed areas, etc. as discussed in the Protocol, Section V.B.i through V.B.v. All cultural resources within the APE must be evaluated for NRHP eligibility. For actions where a field office is suggesting a smaller APE than what is listed here, SHPO consultation will be required.

Standard Direct APEs Single Well Pads: 10 acres MET Towers: 10 acres Communication Sites: 10 acres Transmission Lines: twice the construction right-of-way (ROW) Pipelines: twice the construction ROW Roads: twice the construction ROW